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HE council looks at short-term rental bylaw

*Public meeting planned to
get input from residents*

ANGELICA INGRAM

Staff Reporter

The following are brief reports of items discussed at the Aug. 1 regular meeting of Highlands East council.

A draft short-term accommodations licensing bylaw is being put forth by council to be passed following a public meeting to change the comprehensive zoning bylaw in the planning act.

Council is looking at implementing fees and penalties in a new bylaw that would strictly deal with short-term rentals.

CAO/treasurer Shannon Hunter stressed that the bylaw was not intended to discourage people from renting out their residence.

"No one wants to stop short-term accommodations," she said. "We just want to regulate it."

According to her report to council, "the Municipality of Highlands East created a short-term accommodation task group with the goal and objectives to investigate

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Rising above

Hula hoop entertainer Bex in Motion, whose name is Rebecca Zelewicz, is held up by two members of the audience during a performance at Midnight Madness on Friday, Aug. 3. See more photos from the evening on page 12. /JENN WATT Staff

Community tours future Youth Hub space

JENN WATT

Editor

What had been an "amazing idea" to Joey, a 17-year-old organizer of the Haliburton Youth Hub, finally became real on Tuesday afternoon.

One of the young people working toward creating a space for youth in Haliburton, she said she was excited to see so many people come out for a special preview of the space on July 31, in the former Lighthouse Pentecostal Church on Dysart Avenue.

She said she'll be volunteering with the hub and noted how special it was to be part of building something that will become an institution for years to come.

If the hub grows as much as its supporters hope, it may not be the church building that future generations use. Several mentions were made during speeches that one day they may need a bigger space.

But first there's the short-term work ahead.

First up: make the space accessible. A chair lift is planned to overcome stairs in the front. The ramp may need to be adjusted to make the slope less steep. A universal washroom needs to be added.

Attendees to the ceremony on Tuesday could tour the space, which included bright signage that indicated what spaces

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Some of the young people who were instrumental in the formation of the new Haliburton Youth Hub were handed a ceremonial key to the building during a special preview event on Tuesday, July 31. The hub will be based in the former Lighthouse Church on Dysart Avenue in Haliburton village. The key was given by Pastor Doug Ross. From left, Rowan Tofflemire, Liam Bergman, Joey, Wesley Stoughton, Malia, Cam Espina and Doug Ross. /JENN WATT Staff

Supporters hope to outgrow hub

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were to become. A coat room to the right of the door was labelled “future welcome area.” A closet to the left read “future accessible restroom.” In the basement: “future quiet space.”

Marg Cox, executive director of Point in Time Centre for Children, Youth and Parents, welcomed the large audience to the space.

“We’re really excited today to welcome you to the site, which is going to be the Haliburton Youth Hub. You know they say it takes a village. In Haliburton, it takes a county,” she said, pointing out that parents, youth, politicians, service clubs and service agencies all came together to make the hub a reality.

Nearly \$1 million over three years was secured from the provincial government and the Haliburton County Development Corporation added \$33,000 of federal funds. It also lent the money to Point in Time for the purchase of the building.

Correction

A story in last week’s *Haliburton Echo* stated that Dysart Ward 2 candidate Larry Clarke was on the Places for People board of directors, when in fact he is not.

Young people in Haliburton have been calling for a space outside of the schools that allows them to be together in a healthy environment. For those who don’t participate in sports, very little organized activity is available – particularly for teenagers.

Results of brainstorming sessions with young people about what they’d like to see were posted on the walls in the basement of the hub on Tuesday. Ideas for activities included cooking classes, a Youth Hub zine, open mic, arcade cabinet, yoga/meditation, dance classes, bring-your-dog day and movie night. Potential services identified in the brainstorming included homework help, free food, peer counselling, free haircuts, housing services, access to computers and the internet, career services and others.

The Haliburton hub is one of six in the province that received funding from Youth Wellness Hubs Ontario through the provincial government. Wellness hubs are for young people between 12 to 25 and include access to mental health services, addiction help, counselling and assistance with education, employment and housing.

Peter Smith, president of the Point in Time board, said the hub brings dreams to reality.

“If you imagine a place where youth are welcome to have a voice in its direction, challenges such as transport-

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Haliburton could be template for future hubs

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tation are resolved. A place created with youth and for youth, with access to services such as education, employment, housing and health care all reside under the same roof. Well, imagine no more. Because that's now a reality in our community," he said.

MPP Laurie Scott brought a certificate congratulating the organizers on purchasing the hub and in her speech said the work was a testament to the power of collaboration.

"Haliburton is like a template for the rest of the province," she said, "I want to take what's happening here and spread it out to the province."

She said the group was headed in the right direction, doing the right things for the right reason.

County Warden Suzanne Partridge called the hub "amazing" and said she hoped the building "gets so well used and filled with people that you have to move to a bigger space."

"All we need to do now is get a community transportation service in place so all the youth of Haliburton County [can get here]," she said, to wide applause.

Murray Fearrey, mayor of Dysart et al, called Marg Cox "one outstanding leader" and pointed out that the



MPP Laurie Scott, left, presents Marg Cox, executive director of Point in Time, and Stephanie MacLaren, VP community programs at Haliburton Highlands Health Services, with a congratulatory certificate at the Haliburton Youth Hub preview event on Tuesday, July 31. /JENN WATT Staff

hub is close to the new skatepark as well as the arena.

HHHS is a co-lead on the project and board member Paul Morissette, a retired teacher from Haliburton, said the hub could fill a gap in service provision for youth on the older side of the spectrum, who often find supports drop off once they turn 18.

Because the young people involved today will eventually get older and no longer qualify to use the space, he told the audience it was important that new youth in their early teens are always welcomed.

Referencing a video made by Rowan Tofflemire featuring young people talking about the need for a space of their own, Morissette said the passion for the project needed to be sustained over time.

"The enthusiasm that you saw in the video, you have to carry it through. I think you really have to pass it on. Those of you who are 20, 21, 22, you have to be inclusive when young people come in and they're 12, 13, 14, 15 that you make this place the most inclusive place in the county," he said.

He said he hoped the hub eventually grew to the point where a bigger space was needed.

During the presentation, Pastor Doug Ross of the Lighthouse Pentecostal Church handed a ceremonial key to the building to some of the young people who were involved in making the hub happen.

"I'm so glad for the effort that you young people have made. I hope that you help each other out as well as we have to help people here in the last six years that we've been here," he said.

Joey and Malia, Rowan Tofflemire as well as members of the band Wescali – Liam Bergman, Wesley Stoughton and Cam Espina – accepted the key as audience members eagerly snapped photos. The event was closed off with a performance by Wescali.

A date has not yet been set for the official opening of the hub, but Cox said she knew it needed to be open as soon as possible.

"One of the things we've heard loud and clear from the youth is we need this open now," she said.



Wescali performed following speeches at the new Youth Hub space.

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Municipality would set standards for short-term rentals

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a solution to address concerns associated with short-term accommodation without eliminating the practices of cottage rentals exercised in cottage country. It is recognized that short-term accommodation is vital to our economic prosperity however regulations need to be implemented to address many issues including but not limited to zoning infractions, noise, parking, building deficiencies, health and safety and environmental."

Licensing will allow the municipality to implement standards for all short-term accommodations, including that they be properly zoned, follow noise bylaws, address building concerns, limit accommodations to number of bedrooms and ensure septic is adequate, said Hunter in her report.

"Some of the highlights of the bylaw include: short-term accommodations is a rental less than 28 days, licence is for three years, a licence cost is \$300, maximum occupancy shall be two persons per bedroom plus an additional two, licence available for one building per property, waterfront properties shall be limited to one (1) per owner, per lake."

Hunter said she is recommending that the fees do not come into effect until June 1, 2019, allowing people time to adjust to the new rules.

One of the new regulations in the draft bylaw is the limitation of allowing only one property owner to rent out one dwelling on one lake.

Councillor Cam McKenzie questioned whether or not the municipality could be legally challenged on the rule about one property per owner per lake.

Hunter said the municipality could be challenged on any of their bylaws.

A stakeholder committee has been involved with creating the draft bylaw.

A public meeting is being planned for Wednesday, Aug. 29 from 5 to 7 p.m. at the Lloyd Watson Centre.

Public dock problems

A report from bylaw enforcement officer Wayne Galloway brought to council's attention the need for action on docks being erected in the municipality.

According to Galloway, "complaints have been received that subjects have erected a dock(s) along the shoreline road allowance that is owned by the municipality and they are using it as a personal dock and not allowing others to use it," he said in a report to council. "The dock(s) are situated within the shoreline road allowance and do not appear to have either a land use agreement or any deeded access to the water body in place. Although this is not a unique situation within Highlands East it normally comes to light as the result of a neighbour dispute."

Galloway said that when the municipality becomes aware of an illegally placed dock they assume liability for the dock and its use.

There are ways to fix the issue, he said, including having the owner of the dock enter into an agreement with the municipality. Other options include having the owner remove the dock or the municipality taking over ownership of the dock.

Hunter said she believed a land use agreement was the way to go, as it reduced the liability factor for the municipality.

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Some of these docks are built in places where it's the only accessible area to get down to the lake.

— Suzanne Partridge
Deputy Mayor

Mayor Dave Burton asked if the dock then would still be public. Hunter said it would not be, they would be using it for their own personal use.

Deputy Mayor Suzanne Partridge said she was not in favour of these docks becoming property of the owner, as that could limit public access points into the lake.

"Some of these docks are built in places where it's the only accessible area to get down to the lake," she said.

Council passed a resolution to seek legal advice on the matter.

Another P4P dwelling in Cardiff

Local organization Places for People is looking to create another dwelling in Cardiff.

A request from the housing and grants committee was made to council, seeking a donation in support of the second dwelling. According to the committee, the organization is currently fundraising for the project.

Council approved a \$1,000 donation, which will come from the general municipal budget.

Council has eyes on cameras

A formal request was made by the environment committee asking the municipality to install surveillance cameras at the landfill sites.

"The committee's discussion spoke to the scavenging that takes place within the landfill and waste that gets left outside of the landfill sites," it said in clerk Robyn Roger's report to council. "The committee would like it if the various options regarding surveillance equipment be investigated to see what the most efficient and feasible equipment is as an option for installing at the landfill sites."

Parkette could be coming to Cardiff

A small parkette complete with an eating area might be developed in Cardiff near the dragonfly and pinery area of the village.

Council approved investigating the project, which was recommended by the recreation and culture advisory committee.

"At the June 13 meeting, the committee discussed that they would like to see a small park area developed by the dragonfly and municipal office in Cardiff to address main street revitalization," said deputy CAO/treasurer Brittany McCaw in her report to council. "At the July 11th meeting the park area was discussed again and a formal recommendation was put forth for council discussion."

According to McCaw's report, "staff would need to investigate if adequate parking is possible, the purchase of three picnic tables, a portable toilet rental and a bear proof garbage bin purchase. If approved money for the project are to be funded through the beautification fund of the 2018 budget."

Municipal buildings get upgrades

Some of the buildings in Wilberforce are getting improvements, with property supervisor Jim Alden telling council an elevator has now been installed in the Wilberforce Curling Club.

The elevator has passed its inspection and is up and running, said Alden.

Air conditioning has now been installed in the Lloyd Watson Centre.

Burton asked Alden if he could investigate the possibility of the LWC becoming a cooling station in situations of extreme heat.



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Local musicians to perform at Haliburton's Rotary Carnival

The Rotary Carnival this Wednesday, Aug. 8 will feature music performed by local bands in Head Lake Park starting at 3 p.m.

Andy Salvatori, organizer and Rotarian, said adding music to the event would give carnival-goers more to do as they enjoy the rest of the carnival, which features a midway, beef on a bun, Rotary Crown and Anchor Wheel and fireworks at dusk.

Scott Duggan and Friends/The Charlie Spills Experiment; Rick Stamp and Friends; Nick Russell and Benton Brown;

Gary and the Rough Ideas; and Wescali have all been confirmed to play. Music starts at 3 p.m. with the last band taking the stage at 9 p.m.

If response to live music is positive, Salvatori said the Rotary Club may organize music next year as well.

Admission is free.

The Rotary Carnival is also your last chance to buy tickets to win a 2018 Camaro LT Coupe or \$30,000 cash. The winning ticket will be drawn after the fireworks.

-Staff

Energy efficiency program ends for hospitals

Haliburton Highlands Health Services received \$480,000 from the fund last year

JENN WATT

Editor

A funding source that provided nearly half a million dollars to Haliburton Highlands Health Services last year to improve energy efficiency appears to have come to an end.

The Hospital Energy Efficiency Program, which was funded through cap-and-trade dollars, handed out some \$64 million last year, according to the *Ottawa Citizen*, which reported in late July that the program had been cut.

The program had provided funding for upgrades at HHHS, said Kathy Newton, vice president of support services and chief financial officer via email.

She said the corporation had applied for \$466,000 in the coming year for completing the lighting upgrade, replacing the air-cooled chillers and air conditioners; perimeter heating and high efficiency laundry equipment in Minden and Haliburton.

Last year, HHHS received \$480,000 for upgrades including to the mechanical systems such as water pumps and boilers; the heat exchanger and domestic water storage; and lighting.

In a statement provided to the *Echo* by the Ministry of Health and Long-term

Care, the government states it is carrying out voters' desire to end the cap-and-trade program.

"As part of the wind-down of cap and trade, the government has asked all ministries to review funded programs to determine how to proceed," a statement from the minister, provided by communications staff, reads. "Decisions to continue any specific initiatives currently supported by the fund will be made on a case-by-case basis in alignment with the Ford government's plan For the People and the upcoming value-for-money audit."

The government will review energy efficiency business cases as part of the capital planning process, the statement said.

As hospitals are modernized and repaired, "we will continue to look for ways to be energy efficient with programs like Health Infrastructure Renewal Fund and LEED. LEED buildings have a focus on healthy indoor environments, reduced greenhouse gas emissions and efficient use of energy, water and other resources," the statement goes on to say.

Last October, the HHHS board was told that energy costs were escalating, putting pressure on their budget. The cost had gone up 60 per cent in the previous two years, CEO Carolyn Plummer told the paper at the time.

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Expect your candidates to seek your vote. They should be asking your opinion, curious about where you stand on issues and willing to listen. They also need to have their own ideas and plans.

With indications coming from the province that we're headed into an era of austerity, our municipal representatives will need to be creative and dedicated to delivering the services we need.

Keeping the status quo isn't enough.

Things in the county are good. There has been considerable effort put into promoting the Haliburton Highlands as a tourism destination. Investments have been made to improve infrastructure. Attention has been given to protecting our lakes. Our councillors have done good work to enhance the Highlands in many ways over the years.

But our county still has room to grow. And this is where the election comes in.

We've got labour issues. There aren't enough young people coming to the county and setting up business. For the businesses already here, the working population isn't matching what they need in a workforce. Skilled tradespeople are needed. Young people are needed. The service indus-

try is having a hard time finding teenagers to take on summer jobs. (The high school population has dropped significantly in the last decade.)

We've got transportation issues. There is no public transit system, which disproportionately disadvantages youth, seniors and those with low incomes. As was mentioned at the preview presentation of the youth hub last week, it's great for Haliburton teenagers and young adults, but what about those in Minden? Rides can be arranged, but wouldn't it be great to have a functioning transportation system to get them back and forth?

We've got housing issues. Particularly for those the local housing advocates call the "missing middle" - people who can't get subsidized housing but can't afford what's available on the market. Earlier this year, the Minden Hills Housing Task Force released stats showing small units were in

high demand and that there is relatively little rental stock to choose from.

Then there are the issues of short-term rentals, shoreline preservation, climate change planning, bylaw enforcement, new firefighter training requirements, internet/cell coverage gaps, the list goes on.

How do your candidates rate on these topics? Before you vote, you need to know.

Keep an eye on the pages of this paper as we roll out our election coverage. Check out the all candidates meetings coming up in September (dates to be announced) and chat with your candidates one on one. Call them up. Send them an email. Make sure you're informed.



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Editorial



Macro

by Darren Lum

Blooming issues

STEVE WAS the only one who scared about the family tradition. His sisters were not interested and his brother thought Steve was on the wrong track.

But Steve remembered his mother's green thumb when he was growing up. Spring, summer and fall had meant flowers inside and outside their home, including the cottage. And he always thought her preoccupation with colourful blooms could have been a lot worse. For example, she could have focused on baking and the bunch of them might have ended up overweight and unhealthy from tarts, cakes and cinnamon buns. Instead they grew up surrounded by colour and the scent of roses.

The adult Steve enjoyed nothing more - well almost nothing - than sinking his hands into rich loamy soil to plant, thin or weed one of his flower beds. "What kind of a hobby is that for a guy?" asked Ben. Brother Ben preferred his speedboat and baseball in the summer and thought fussing over flowers was for sissies.

But Steve found gardening relaxing and a great way to ward off the stress of living in a violent, troubling world. When he was staking his gladioli or dead-heading petunias, the only things on his mind were the warmth of the sun and whether or not he had picked the right colours this season. When he returned his tools to the garden shed, there was a sense of satisfaction at a job well done. Ben on the other hand seemed to just go round in circles in the bay, doing nothing more than churning up the shore and confusing the fish.

In the city where they had lived ten months of the year as children, honeysuckle, lilacs and tulips had welcomed spring. And when they moved to cottage country every summer, that was when Steve's mom really went to town. Overflowing pots and tubs left just enough room on the deck for their chairs. In case anyone ever forgot how to find the lake, she had raised beds of hostas and nemesis winding along the path to show them the way. Scarlet red petunias shone from window boxes their father had built and geraniums galore greeted everyone outside the cottage door.

An interest in gardening, especially flowers, had always been with Steve. However his first attempts had not been very successful. When the firewood pile was moved, the ten year old Steve had figured it was a great place to plant marigold seeds. His mother had cautioned him against the location but determined to try, he had carefully placed the seeds in the sandy soil, marked the area with a twig and string fence and waited. Every day he would check the spot. Eventually a few thin sprouts appeared but they quickly shriveled and died. Painful though it had been, it was his first lesson on the importance of soil and sunlight.

Steve always believed his affinity for gardening had helped him win Wendy's heart. They had been dating for a few months and he decided he wanted to move things along. Gathering together as much as he dared take from his flower beds, with emphasis on the roses, he had presented her with the huge bouquet when picking her up for their Friday night movie date. Talk about a surprise and not just for her. Because Steve had stood in awe as Wendy had been able to name each bloom

including the type of roses he had presented. That's when they both realized they had a shared passion.

However, one year disaster struck. The disaster had four long legs, big ears and large dark eyes. Returning from an overnight stay at a cousin's, the first thing they both noticed was the flowers - or rather the lack thereof. In fact they arrived just in time to see one of the bloom bandits finishing off Steve's wave petunias. "Now what?" asked Wendy despondently.

"There's always a solution," responded Steve optimistically. He planned to search for one on the internet when they returned to the city. In the meantime, they'd have to settle for goldenrod and ferns. "Well we still have each other," he reminded Wendy, giving her a big kiss on the cheek. "So life's isn't all that bad now is it?"

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points of view

Monopoly

YESTERDAY, we visited our good friends, had a nice dinner, a few laughs and then, for some strange reason, almost ruined it all by playing Monopoly.

OK, ruined might be too strong a word. Then again, I finished dead last, so you be the judge.

I know Monopoly is just a meaningless game – unless, of course, I win. I also understand that winning at Monopoly doesn't necessarily make you a better person.

The true value of Monopoly is that it says a lot about the person. For instance, I discovered that Coleman, who won, is entirely unlikeable.

I, on the other hand, am universally adored for my generosity.

No matter what anyone says, losing at Monopoly is no big deal.

It's certainly nothing that should cause a person to sit in the darkness later that night and stew in a deep brooding silence for hours on end. Trust me, 30 minutes is more than enough. Otherwise you waste valuable time that could be better used

plotting vengeance.

We should also acknowledge that those who win often do so as a result of superior strategy or better management of assets – although that's not always the case.

Sometimes they win simply because someone – who is clearly deserving – didn't take first place in the beauty contest! Which, trust me, was a sham!

In the particular game I described, Coleman won by utilizing a bizarre strategy that dictated he purchase properties, remain fiscally responsible, and use additional money to

develop houses and hotels.

I just happened to utilize a more realistic approach.

I deliberately ignored the old adage about property being the best investment and instead decided that the best investment I could make was in myself. That's why I blew all my money vacationing in the high-end properties owned by Coleman and others.

That's what friends do. Also, I tipped heavily.

Do I regret it? No, I do not and I have the selfies on Boardwalk to prove it.

Is this the best Monopoly strategy? Probably not.

Yet it seemed like a very good idea at the time. You see, I was at that stage in my Monopoly life where property ownership would have just weighed me down.

I also had this urge to see the known world. So I did and, by the way, it's flat.

Sure, traditional Monopoly players might call me a loser, but that's only if you define a loser as someone who is willing to dance shamelessly at the drop of a hat for enough Monopoly money to work off a debt.

Judge me if you like, but first know I somehow managed to maintain my dignity through it all. For instance when Coleman wanted to reward me for my dancing with more Monopoly money, I insisted that he dare not attempt to place it in the band of my underwear unless he was offering a \$20 or better. I'm not proud of this but it kept me out of jail.

I guess the point I'm making is that there is more than one way to win at Monopoly. There is the conventional way that's been done for years. Or there is Coleman's, which foolishly defines winning as amassing a huge Monopoly fortune in terms of property and one-sided, easy to counterfeit, money.

Certainly, that's one measure of success. But I stayed at the best hotels and won second place in a beauty contest twice. And not even Coleman can take that away from me. Though God knows he tried.



steve
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Loon Tales



pic of the past

This week's pic of the past was posted online by the Haliburton Highlands Museum. It's an image that first ran in the *Haliburton County Echo*. "One of the most exciting days in the museum's history must have been May 16, 1979, when Reid House was on the move! The decision had been to move the museum to Glebe Park and construct a new main gallery space, but Reid House was to be refurbished as a period home," the museum writes. The museum will be marking 50 years of serving the community on Saturday, Aug. 11 from 1 to 4 p.m. Give them a call to find out more: 705-457-2760.

letters to the editor

Truth or power, which gets you further?

To the Editor,

I have recently written about missed opportunities for truth to be spoken to power and this sad story is about power being used to deny the value of truth.

In spite of an election promise to continue a social experiment to measure the value of establishing the benefits that a Basic Income can have when given to individuals in a community, this experiment has been cancelled by the newly elected government before any results could be measured.

I recall that a much wider program based on "microloans" to mostly the women in communities started in Bangladesh in the 1970s and has resulted in the 2006 Nobel Peace Prize being awarded to its founder, Muhammad Yunus.

He set up village banks (grameen banks in local language) which charged what sounds like a high rate of interest of about 20 per cent p.a. But some 96 per cent of loans were paid back.

In Ontario, government money was provided directly to individuals and families, inevitably

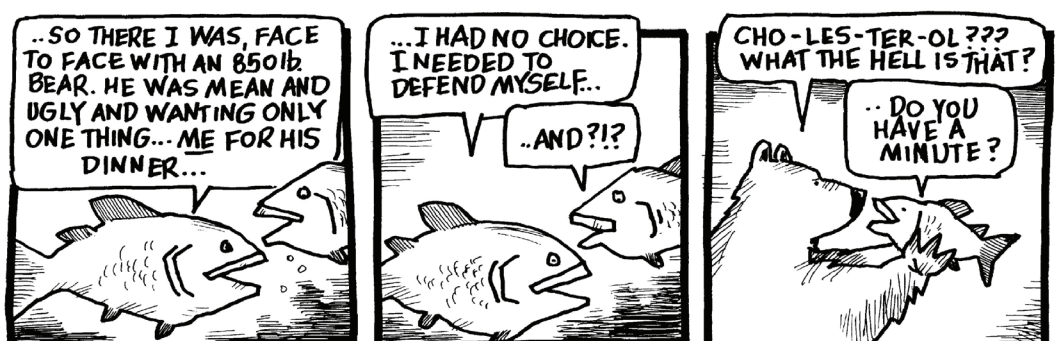
with much paperwork. However, the important thing is that both systems of payment would lead to the money being spent on locally based services.

The local service provider would likely spend the same money on other locally based services. Thus, a large fraction of the money spent would circulate, perhaps even several times, within the community with the expectation that general poverty would be diminished or overcome. In time, the children of the community shoemaker would no longer go barefoot.

Unfortunately, the work done by a sizable team of people planning and participating in the experiment has been trampled on and discarded and we will not know whether this process could be useful in eliminating poverty. We should remember that an all-party supported motion to eliminate child poverty was passed in the Canadian Parliament in 1989 and we are still a long way from achieving its aim.

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Why harm reduction works



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HAVE YOU BUCKLED up with a seat-belt? Chances are you have, just as you've likely worn a bike helmet, applied mosquito repellent to skin, or put on sunscreen to protect against sunburn. These are all examples of harm reduction – a term that simply means taking steps and actions to prevent or reduce the risk of injury and illness.

Harm reduction strategies are also used to decrease the spread of infections among people who use drugs. Needle exchange programs (NEPs), which are provided in Haliburton County and right across Ontario, are another example of a harm reduction strategy. NEPs provide clean needles and equipment free-of-charge to individuals who inject and inhale drugs. This reduces the spread of infections like HIV and Hepatitis B and C, which can occur if someone shares equipment/needles for drugs. NEPs also make financial sense, since providing clean needles to a person costs \$100 per year compared to approximately \$120,000 to pay for a liver transplant for someone who develops complications from Hepatitis C.

NEPs are not without their critics, who mistakenly believe the programs encourage drug use. In fact, NEPs do not enable drug users, but reduce harm and protect community health by ensuring people with serious drug addictions have access to clean equipment and needles. This is a much safer and cost-effective option than if someone puts themselves and others at risk by using a dirty needle.

Providing clean needles and equipment through an NEP also allows service providers to connect with at-risk individuals. Health-care providers, be they doctors, nurses, pharmacists or harm reduction workers, can share treatment options, make referrals to other support services, or just listen to people's problems and point them in the right direction for help. This would not happen in situations where people use drugs alone or in private.

Harm reduction is all about supporting and meeting people where they are at that exact moment – without judging or trying to fix them. Rather than showing them the door, harm reduction programs provide openings, options and support to reduce harm until people who use drugs are ready to take further actions.

Harm reduction programs are very effective, but do not work alone. They are part of a comprehensive approach to tackle drug addiction, which also includes treatment, counselling and support.

Some residents of Haliburton County want to believe their community does not have a drug problem, but drug use knows no geographic boundaries, and this area is not immune. Drug addiction does not discriminate either, as it can affect young and old, rich and poor, educated and non-educated. Accepting these realities and seeking solutions – like supporting harm reduction – is essential for creating a healthier community.

Whether it's using a nicotine patch to quit smoking, being physically active to support healthy living, or offering a needle exchange program, harm reduction works!

Sculptures redefined

Have you walked past the large, compelling sculpture in downtown Haliburton in front of Wind in the Willows Spa? That is "This Side Up #9 Shall We Dance" by Michael Truelove. At first glance, this sculpture looks like a many-faceted hexagon. This piece piques my curiosity – demanding a closer look. In reality the sculpture is a deconstructed cube, however the artist has manipulated the flat pieces of steel so that the sculpture looks as if it is jumping towards main street.

A black, steel sculpture in the Sculpture Forest, also requiring a deeper look, is "Terminus" by Marianne Reim. It stands mysteriously on a large boulder; set back from the path. Look closely and you can see hands covering a face; while a winged shape covers the head. I get a lot of interesting reactions to this sculpture from people on tours. For my group last week, it brought to mind "The Flying Nun" from the 1970s sitcom. For me, a more sombre interpretation resonates. This sculpture was acquired in 2002, the beginning of the war in Afghanistan. Pictures of women in burkas were in the news. For some people, the sculpture evoked this image. Look closer still and you see a barbed-wire ring on a finger – does this allude to an unwanted marriage or losing a partner at war? The longer you think about it, the more poignant the story. That is the great part about sculptures, everyone sees them differently. Sometimes you just need to look a little deeper to find your own story.

Please wander down main street of Haliburton and

see the Downtown Sculpture exhibition and visit the Haliburton Sculpture Forest. The Sculpture Forest offers free tours, Tuesdays 10 to 11:30 a.m. and Wednesdays 12:10 to 12:50 p.m.

You can see the Sculpture Forest in motion tonight (Aug. 7) as the contemporary dance company, Throw-down Collective, performs with local artists (5 p.m. Picnic, 6 to 7:30 p.m. show). www.haliburtonsculptureforest/re-imagined

Submitted by Noelle Dupret Smith



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Dysart seeks research on plastic reduction, sustainable trees

SUE TIFFIN

Staff Reporter

The Municipality of Dysart et al is hoping to connect with students to research a plastic reduction plan and determine sustainable tree options for Head Lake Park.

The municipality, through the environment and conservation committee, has proposed the two projects through the U-Links Centre for Community Based Research, which matches Trent University or Fleming College students to research projects.

Amanda Duncombe-Lee, projects coordinator at U-Links, attended the Aug. 2 environment and conservation committee meeting to discuss the proposals.

"The purpose of this project is to develop a model program that can be used by current and future staff and councils to provide education to the public with the goal of reducing plastic use within the community, thus reducing the waste entering landfills," reads the plastics reduction challenge proposal submitted to U-Links by Tamara Wilbee, Dysart et al CAO, on July 4. "This project will create a template for the planning and execution [of] an annual educational campaign with the goal of reducing plastics in our community to maintain and improve the environmental health of our municipality. If we start with one type of plastic (e.g. bags) and develop and implement an educational campaign around that piece, we can then use that template to roll out a new educational campaign annually."

Using online resources to research similar initiatives undertaken by other municipalities, a student or students linked to the project would offer a final review in March at the annual U-Links Celebration

of Research event.

Questions posed by the committee would drive the research, including what makes a shopper use a plastic store-provided bag rather than a cardboard or fabric alternative; how local residents, schools, businesses and restaurants could be encouraged to use alternatives to plastics; how much it costs to recycle a bin of plastics; what the barriers are to implementing bans on plastic items; what laws are currently in place to limit plastics use; and how much recycled plastics end up in the landfill rather than being recycled.

"Just looking at the overall picture, single-use plastics are one of the biggest challenges to environmental and human health right now," said Duncombe-Lee. "And the good news is it's something quickly targeted through behavioural change and the best way to do this is through increasing public visibility of the issue, which is the template behind this project."

Committee chair Dennis Casey said a plastic reduction education awareness piece had been initiated, but more had to be done to reduce plastic ending up in the landfill.

"We want to develop a template," said Wilbee. "That if we can put education out around plastic bags, and try and change people's behaviour around plastic bags, whether it's just citizens, whether it's stores, what are the motivations we need? And then have that sort of build a guide, a step-by-step, how does the next staff person coming in next year pick an item, whether it's straws, and go after that, or clamshells [plastic packaging] for salads."

Casey said he thought a solution for plastic bag reduction should start at the source, or producer of the bags, as well as sellers using plastic bags.

"They said that was part of the research too, is to find out from the big chain stores,

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Single-use plastics are one of the biggest challenges to environmental and human health right now.

— Amanda Duncombe-Lee

do they have alternatives, are they allowed to use paper bags instead of plastic, do they have to keep selling the plastic bags with the branded logo on it," said Wilbee.

Duncombe-Lee suggested also asking local residents about their knowledge of which types of plastic can actually be recycled.

"I just know the personal struggle," she said. "I'm always looking at the website and just double checking that I can recycle, but how many people even refer to that, and is there a lot of non-recycled plastic going into the bin, or is the recyclable plastic going into the landfill?"

Committee members, including councillors, discussed plastic straw alternatives and deterrents to consumers opting for plastic bags at grocery stores.

Casey asked if Duncombe-Lee thought there would be any students interested in the project.

"I think this is a really hot issue right now, and I think a lot of students are interested in it," she said. "A lot of the drive actually comes from the younger generation."

The proposal for the Head Lake Park tree sustainability planning project was applied for on July 19.

"Part of it was because some of the

older willow trees in the park, and the bigger ones, are starting to come down from storm damage and so forth. And we haven't really developed a plan as to where we should replant, whether it's fruit trees, whether it's shade trees, whether it's trees that don't affect the pathways as much," said Wilbee in the meeting. "Just a plan from somebody more qualified and objective."

She noted there were other factors, including erosion, that was leading to the loss of trees.

Casey asked if the project would include the entire park, or just around the river's edge or shoreline.

"The whole park, because there might be areas where you need shade," answered Wilbee. "They talk about when you replant, it's good to plant fruit trees because then you're providing food sources for even kids walking from high school to grab something off a tree."

Questions within the project proposal to be answered by matched students include what tree damage and loss and possible causes was evidenced in the park; what native species of trees currently exist in the park; how can existing trees be protected from further damage or loss; and what is the recommended species and management plan for future sustainable tree maintenance in the park. Besides a literature review, the project would require field work.

A final report for both projects would be reviewed by the municipality and U-Links, and then posted on the U-Links website for the community to review. "That's the community-based research component, is that it's not just to the benefit for certain municipalities, it's to the benefit of the whole county because they can look at what you've done and decide to replicate it, or take ideas from it," said Duncombe-Lee.

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Downtown bustling at Midnight Madness

Haliburton's annual street party, Midnight Madness, was especially busy this year with crowds of shoppers taking to Highland Street to check out deals, enjoy some music and get a bite to eat on Friday, Aug. 3. The event is organized by the *Haliburton County Echo* and Haliburton BIA. Above, Amar Mathura, left, and Beth MacDonald sell beef on a bun to Doug Holland. The delicious dinner is an annual fundraiser for the Haliburton Fire Department.

Photos by Jenn Watt



Left, Nelly Ashworth hands out balloons to kids along Highland Street.

Middle left, Alyssa Westaway shops at Algonquin Outfitters during Midnight Madness.

Middle photo, Lauren Margison and River Guard of Highlands Opera Studio filled the street with music. Opera performances take place in Haliburton during the month of August.



Above, as people left town after a night of music, performances, food and shopping, they admired the chalk art created below their feet. Three students from Haliburton School of Art + Design created most of the work in this photo: Evan Cliff, Taylor Craig and Aaron Alfano.



Bottom left, Custom Blend performed crowd favourites, keeping toes tapping into the night.

Bottom right, Esson Lake cottagers Maria Sacco and Liz Arias checked out the shoes at Haliburton V&S.



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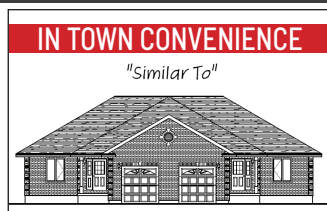
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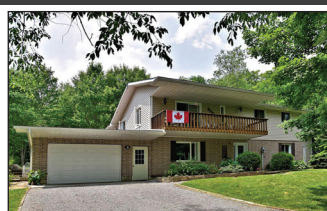
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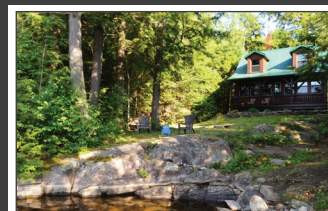
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Powerboat action makes waves on Head Lake

SUE TIFFIN
Staff Reporter

Speed-loving spectators will have the chance to watch plenty of action on Head Lake on Aug. 18 and 19 when about 70 racers take to the water in hydroplanes and runabouts in races with speeds from 30 miles per hour to 85 miles per hour.

The Toronto Outboard Racing Club is hosting the Haliburton Outboard Powerboat Races, sanctioned by the Canadian Boating Federation, for the fourth year in a row and promise plenty to see, even from the shoreline.

On Aug. 17, a meet and greet for the event will take place at Head Lake Park from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Visitors to the event will be able to meet the racers and their crews and get an up-close look at their boats and trailers. A selection of antique boats will be on display, as well.

“You can’t touch them, but you can get close enough to look at them,” said organizer Barb Hammond. “They’re unique boats.”

During the races, guests to the event can see the spray of water as boats speed through it, and can see racers that operate the boats from a lay-down position. Winning boats are weighed and inspected, a process that spectators are able to observe as well.

“It’s pretty exciting to watch,” said Hammond.

Racers are aged seven to 77, and

include local racers like Hammond’s adult children, as well as visitors from Michigan and New York.

The event is free to onlookers, but raises money for the Haliburton Hospital Auxiliary through a prize raffle, and this year spectators are being asked to remember to bring an item for a food bank donation. Food booths are available, including a booth run by the local Lions Club.

“We appreciate the fact that not everybody likes the noise of it, but the town’s been very good and it’s good for the community to bring all of these people in and put Haliburton on the map,” said Hammond.

The event does make use of the Head Lake public boat launch, which means it is closed to the general public over the weekend, but event sponsor RPM offers their boat launch at 5122 County Road 21 free of charge for those getting their boats into the water on Saturday or Sunday. Youngdale Fuels sponsors the kids categories.

The races will be held on Saturday, Aug. 18 beginning at 10 a.m. and Sunday, Aug. 19 beginning at around 11 a.m. Races run until about 5 p.m. on both days.

“It’s a great event, it’s free, and everybody can relate to boats,” said Hammond.

For more information about the Haliburton Outboard Powerboat Races, visit www.torc.ca.

Upcoming Events On Your Lake

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Wine and Cheese

Saturday, August 25, 2 to 5 p.m.
Hosts: Peter Dilworth and Kathryn Hunsberger, Long Lake -1094 Pavilion Lane.
Bring non-perishable donations for the Haliburton Food Bank.

Miskwabi Area Community Association (MACA)

Wine and Cheese

Saturday, Aug. 25, 2 to 5 p.m.
Hosts: Peter Dilworth and Kathryn Hunsberger, Long Lake, 1094 Pavilion Lane.
To get there: 118 to Kennaway Rd. to Sisu Lane, stay left onto Pavilion Lane to #1094. Bring non-perishable donations for the Haliburton Food Bank.

South Lake Association of Cottagers and Residents

Annual Corn Roast

Saturday, Aug. 25 at 12 p.m.
1224 Hamilton Road
Don't Forget To Check Out Slacar's Website
For Updated Information – www.slacar.ca

Halls/Hawk Lakes Property Owners Association

HHLPOA Golf Scramble

Friday, Aug. 10
Contact Peter@Hallshawklakes.ca for more details

Soyers Lake Ratepayers Association

Food and Fun on Saturday, Aug. 18 (Rain Date—Sunday August 19) 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.
Follow the signs to the north end of the lake.

Kushog Lake

Life on Kushog Lake photo contest Deadline: Aug. 31

Email your high-res photos to photos@kushoglake.org.
See www.kushoglake.org for contest rules.

Drag and Spruce Lakes

Golf Day/ Lunch

Saturday, Sept. 1
Location: Haliburton Golf Course (* please check website for changes)
Cost: \$45.00 Time: 10:00 AM
As usual - cost Includes cart, 9 holes, lunch and prizes!
Call Wayne Hussey (705) 457-2892 or Robert Young (705) 457-2577 to register. (The usual trophies plus a special prize for best family score!)
You can send email to event organizers through our association email address at dragandsprucelakes@gmail.com. or contact Barb, the coordinator at babohlin@gmail.com, 705 457-8864

Twelve Mile, Little Boshkung Lakes Association

Regatta

Saturday, Aug. 11, 12 to 4 p.m., Twelve Mile Lake Beach, Chambers Rd.
Fall Road Cleanup
Saturday, Sept. 8, 10 a.m.

Canning Lake


Ice Cream Float Day

Sunday, Aug. 12 - 12:30 to 2:30 p.m.
Paddle out to the touring ice cream boat and other stations around the lake for your free ice cream. Check the website for more details.
**For more information on the above events please visit our website: www.canninglake.ca

Horseshoe Lake Property Owners Association

Horseshoe Lake Golf Tournament

When: Saturday, Sept. 1
Entry Fee : \$35.00 for 9 holes of golf and lunch (morning tee times)(carts extra)
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To book a foursome or as an individual
Contact Rick At 416-346-5877 or email to rthurston4@gmail.com. To book a cart call the club directly at 705-754-2110



Municipality of Dysart et al
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FORM 6
Municipal Act, 2001

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Take Notice that tenders are invited for the purchase of the lands described below and will be received until 3:00 p.m. local time on August 23, 2018, at the Dysart et al Municipal Office, 135 Maple Avenue, Haliburton Ontario.

The tenders will then be opened in public on the same day as soon as possible after 3:00 p.m. at the Dysart et al Municipal Office, 135 Maple Avenue, Haliburton.

Description of Lands:

Roll No. 46 24 030 000 29400 0000; PIN 39158-0218 (LT); Part Lot 14 Concession 3 Harcourt as in H86017; Dysart et al except forfeited mining rights, if any; File No. 17-14
Minimum Tender Amount: \$5,045.30

Roll No. 46 24 040 000 35300 0000; PIN 39141-0342 (LT); Part Lot 8 Concession 3 Guilford as in H127005; United Townships of Dysart, Dudley, Harcourt, Guilford, Harburn, Bruton, Havelock, Eyre and Clyde; File No. 17-20
Minimum Tender Amount: \$6,963.50

Tenders must be submitted in the prescribed form and must be accompanied by a deposit in the form of a money order or of a bank draft or cheque certified by a bank or trust corporation payable to the municipality and representing at least 20 per cent of the tender amount.


Except as follows, the municipality makes no representation regarding the title to or any other matters relating to the lands to be sold. Responsibility for ascertaining these matters rests with the potential purchasers.

This sale is governed by the Municipal Act, 2001 and the Municipal Tax Sales Rules made under that Act. The successful purchaser will be required to pay the amount tendered plus accumulated taxes and any taxes that may be applicable, such as a land transfer tax.

The municipality has no obligation to provide vacant possession to the successful purchaser.

For further information regarding this sale and a copy of the prescribed form of tender, visit www.dysartetal.ca or if no internet access available, contact:

Cindy Watson
Tax Collector
The Corporation of the United Townships of Dysart et al
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(705) 457-1740 Ext. 630



NOTICE OF MUNICIPAL ELECTION
Municipal Elections Act, 1996 (s.40)

Municipal Elections in the Municipality of Dysart et al for the offices of:

MAYOR	-	One (1) to be elected by General Vote of Electors
DEPUTY MAYOR	-	One (1) to be elected by General Vote of Electors
COUNCILLOR, WARD 1	-	One (1) to be elected by Ward 1 Electors
COUNCILLOR, WARD 2	-	One (1) to be elected by Ward 2 Electors
COUNCILLOR, WARD 3	-	One (1) to be elected by Ward 3 Electors
COUNCILLOR, WARD 4	-	One (1) to be elected by Ward 4 Electors
COUNCILLOR, WARD 5	-	One (1) to be elected by Ward 5 Electors
TRUSTEE – FRENCH LANGUAGE	-	One (1) to be elected representing Sector 1 for
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will be held on **October 22, 2018.**

- The Municipal Election will be conducted utilizing Vote By Mail.
- A Voters Kit will be mailed the week of September 24, 2018 to every eligible person shown on the Voters List.
- If you do not receive a Voters Kit by October 3, 2018, please contact the Municipal Office. Additions and revisions to the Voters List can take place up to 8:00 pm on Election Day allowing those individuals who are eligible to vote; to obtain a Voters Kit.
- Further information can be obtained by contacting the Dysart et al Municipal Office at 705-457-1740 or visiting the website at www.dysartetal.ca.

Cheryl Coulson, Clerk

The Healthy Lakes Contest

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Septics: The Basics

Septic systems are the number one polluter of our lakes and rivers.

The more efficiently your Septic System operates, the less pollution goes into the environment.

The 2 secrets to Septic Health and minimizing lake pollution are: **Bacteria and Time**

Bacteria –Never let anything go down the drain that kills the good bacteria in your system – your system need these bacteria to digest the waste before the water goes back into our water table and lakes.

Time - Your system needs as much time as you can give it to digest the waste you put in before the next load of water arrives. Remember – one drop in = one drop out of your system.

Give your system time by Minimizing Water Use and Spreading It out over Time.

Tip of the Week

CUT BACK ON WATER USE

Older septic systems especially can be over-loaded by water use from washing machines, bathtubs and showers, but in the end, using less is better for every system, and the planet in general. Give it a try - it's not so bad!

Pay attention to this tip to answer next week's question!

Shorelines: The Basics

Without a liver your body would not be able to filter toxins and would die. A Natural shoreline is your lake's liver.

Maintaining and re naturalizing our lake shorelines is one of the 2 most important actions that we can take to protect our lakes. Natural shorelines filter out nutrients such as phosphorous before they get into our lakes and cause algae blooms, weed growth and decreased fish populations. They also reduce erosion and flooding and increase habitat for beautiful creatures such as butterflies, birds, fish and frogs.

90% of life in your lake depends on a Natural shoreline with deep rooted native trees and shrubs.

If 75% of your lake's shoreline is not natural your lake is headed for trouble.

Tip of the Week

RELIVE YOUR CHILDHOOD

Remember those days of turning over logs to see what was underneath, chasing minnows and frogs, and swimming in clean, clear water for hours? Your grandchildren deserve those memories, too, and where better to gather them than at Grandma and Grandpa's natural shoreline? (Bonus: They can help plant!)

Pay attention to this tip to answer next week's question!

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The Healthy Lakes Contest brought to you by:



This Week's Question:

When renting my lakefront property how many people can the renter safely have using the toilets?

How to Win:

Email your answer to this week's question by 5 p.m. Monday, Aug. 13 to chacontest@canoefm.com. The draw will happen on Friday, Aug. 17 at 4:30 p.m. and the winner will be announced live on air on 100.9 Canoe FM and in this space next week.

(Only correct answers will be entered in the draw).

Play Each Week!

All qualifying ballots will be entered in a grand prize draw of \$1,000 cash to be held Friday, Sept 7, 2018!

Congratulations!

To Helen Brown
who correctly answered the question: What appliance should I never have in my kitchen if I am on a septic system?

Highlands East races heat up near deadline

ANGELICA INGRAM

Staff Reporter

With the deadline to file for the municipal election now passed, there is only one acclamation in the upcoming Highlands East election, with current Ward 3 Councillor Cec Ryall running unopposed.

Ward 1 incumbent Cam McKenzie now has competition, with former councillor Steve Kauffeldt looking to reclaim his seat.

The race is most competitive in Ward 4, where there are four candidates running to fill the position currently held by Joan Barton (who is not seeking re-election).

The candidates include James (Jim) Deterling, Peter Fredricks, Bradley Keller and Ruth Strong.

Fredricks said he is running for council so that he can follow his passion to help his community.

"My passion has always been to help, and volunteering was the best way to become involved in the community," he told the paper in an email. "I sat on four Highlands East committees of council, The County Doctors recruitment committee, became an announcer at Canoe FM and I am presently sitting on the board of HCDC. From this volunteering I have learned more about the many challenges and opportunities in Highlands East. Working with HCDC has taught me the issues faced by local businesses in the area."

Born and raised in the GTA, Fredricks has a back-

ground in finance, as well as advertising and marketing. He is married with children and grandchildren.

If elected to council, some of the goals he would like to focus on are working with the community to develop Herlihey Park.

"As a council, I feel that we need to deal with the lack of affordable housing, address the need for more jobs and training for apprenticeships in the area. This is to tackle the labour shortages that are felt by many business owners. In addition I would like to work with the municipality to obtain a full-time doctor in the Wilberforce Medical Clinic, continue the work with EORN to bring better cellular service, and bring a financial institution back to the area," Fredricks told the paper.

Running against Fredricks is Keller, who is seeking the position of councillor because he felt it was time to get involved in politics.

"I have some concerns with the way things are run within our local government and I would like to see some changes made," he said in an email.

Born in Etobicoke, Keller has lived in Gooderham for the past 17 years and "plans to stay here forever."

If elected, he said reducing the amount of nepotism in Haliburton County is one of his priorities.

"I would also like to create more opportunities for employment for young people in the municipality," he said. "I would also like to see more business move into the area but we would need better cell service and high-speed internet before this can happen. I am also focus-

ing on low cost housing knowing that it is also a concern of most of the council and hopefully we can resolve this within the next four years."

The final candidate running in the ward is Ruth Strong, who served on council in the past, she said.

"I have 50 years' experience working in an office and feel I have the qualifications to be able to make decisions to benefit our community," she wrote to the paper. "I would like to give back to the area I have lived in most of my life."

If elected, Strong would like to see certain priorities tackled at the council table, including approaching banks to review the possibilities of an ATM machine, finding a doctor for the area and supporting geocaching.

Strong would also like to "have a voice in the development of Herlihey Park as I have an interest in this project as I was an employee of the veneer mill for 35 years and during most of the time Mr. Harold Herlihey was the owner and manager," she said.

The full list of candidates running in Highlands East:

Mayor: Dave Burton, Cheryl Ellis

Councillor Ward 1: Steven Kauffeldt, Cam McKenzie

Councillor Ward 2: Suzanne Partridge, Jane Russell

Councillor Ward 3: Cec Ryall (acclaimed)

Councillor Ward 4: James Deterling, Peter Fredricks, Bradley Keller, Ruth Strong

See our website, haliburtonecho.ca, to read previously published stories about other candidates.



Shipwrecked in Haliburton

Volunteer Lindsay Lester holds a conch to her lips, above, and stands in front of a shipwreck backdrop (above right) where a group of children listen during the Vacation Bible School on Wednesday, Aug. 1 at the Lakeside Church in Haliburton. For the past several years, the church has offered this week-long summer programming, which provides creative and physical activities. Like other years, the entire church was transformed to fit a theme. This year the theme was "shipwrecked" and planning for the sets started in October of last year. Implementation took place over a week. Sixty volunteers helped run the week-long school of 120 registered children, inspiring them to have faith, and included lessons about God and Jesus.

/DARREN LUM Staff



Far left, Frost Kitchman, 7, works on her peace garden (with a relation to a Bible verse) during the Vacation Bible School on Wednesday, Aug. 1 at the Lakeside Church in Haliburton. Left, there was a lot of mud (that found its way onto little hands) available at the outdoor base camp.



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HHSS grad builds Highlands Dock Company

SUE TIFFIN
Staff Reporter

It only takes a quick Google search of Eric Wootton’s name to see that he has been involved in the community, motivated in his work and is well-balanced in his diverse skills and interests. Links to newspaper stories and his name in brochures fill the screen, showing he has performed with the Highlands

Summer Festival, competed as a team member on the HHSS robotics team, and from his name on several websites from around the county, has worked as a web-master. Now the recent HHSS grad can add grant-awarded student entrepreneur to his resume. Wootton was one of just nine student entrepreneurs selected for the Summer Company, a provincial government program that helps youth launch their own businesses.

He proposed his business idea – The Highlands Dock Company – and has already been busy this summer building custom docks and repairing those out on the lakes in the county and surrounding areas. Administered locally through Peterborough and the Kawarthas Business Advisory Centre, the Summer Company program offers \$3,000 start-up funding and mentorship, access to training and workshops and one-on-one guidance to help young entrepreneurs between the ages of 15 and 29 run a summer business. “A large component of the program is experiential, and equips the student with many soft skills beyond business skills – great for a resume,” said Madeleine Hur-

rell, economic development officer for the program. The other ideas accepted this year include a car-detailing business, networking app and affordable housing project. “In terms of why Eric was selected: robust business plan with concrete forecast predictions,” said Hurrell. “He saw a need in his community (Trooper Lake) and was able to address it. He is prompt, professional and has a great understanding of what residents on the lake are looking for!” Wootton didn’t apply for the grant immediately until he had come up with the dock company idea.

see HIGHLANDS page 19

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CLUES ACROSS

1. Political action committee

4. Where sauces cook

8. Type of horse

10. Heavy sword (Brit.)

11. __ Nui, Easter Island

12. A type of burner

13. Spanish island

15. Rapid alteration of a musical note

16. Where priests work

17. Most impoverished

18. Tom Petty’s band

21. Luke’s mentor __-Wan

22. No longer is

23. Mandela’s party

24. Legislator (abbr.)

25. A type of “zebra”

26. The common gibbon

27. American icon

34. Hunting expeditions

35. What a princess wears

36. Switched gears

37. Protege to Freya (Norse myth.)

38. Serves

39. Darken

40. Fencing swords

41. Middle English letter

42. Go slowly

43. A type of flute

CLUES DOWN

1. One who is rejected

2. Suitable for crops

3. Per __, each

4. Indulges

5. Preoccupy

6. NIN frontman Reznor

7. Posted

9. Infamous Ukraine village

10. Bizarre

12. One who loves to read

14. The products of human creativity

15. Extinct flightless bird

of New Zealand

17. Famed Chinese American architect

19. These can be used to burn trash

20. Corpuscule count (abbr.)

23. Pokes holes in

24. Peter’s last name

25. Offered as a prize

26. French river

27. Young woman

28. A pot has one

29. Of the ears

30. Full of parasites

31. Dole out incrementally

32. Citrus fruit

33. Hearty

34. External form

36. Turn violently

Answers on page 22



Eric Wootton makes house calls to determine what a dock needs in terms of repair, or how to create what a property owner wants and needs. “I’ll take your order, put on whatever you want, or leave off whatever you don’t want,” he said. “We can agree on how much buoyancy you want, what kind of wood you want. It’s essentially completely customizable. As long as I can build it, you can have it.” /SUBMITTED

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Highlands teenager knew demand would be high

from page 18

"I didn't really feel like I had a good idea yet," he said. "I'd been sitting on it for awhile, finally had a good idea, didn't have other jobs lined up and so I just went and did it."

He had experience building his own dock, and guidance from his girlfriend's dad, Derek Johannessen, who also loaned some tools to him to get started.

He credited his girlfriend, too, for helping support and guide him.

"I wanted a summer job," he said. "I didn't want a normal summer job. I didn't want minimum wage. I wanted time off and I kind of wanted to be my own boss. I'm pretty experienced in web design, I thought I'd do something there, but I didn't want to sit inside all day. I knew I wanted to be outside all summer so I figured if I was building docks, I'd get to work on some carpentry skills. I've done a few shop classes at school; I'm pretty good with my hands. I knew it would be profitable and I knew there was a high

demand for it in cottage country."

Wootton makes house calls to determine what a dock needs in terms of repair, or how to create what a property owner wants and needs.

"I'll take your order, put on whatever you want, or leave off whatever you don't want," he said. "We can agree on how much buoyancy you want, what kind of wood you want. It's essentially completely customizable. As long as I can build it, you can have it."

In September, he plans to study molecular biology and biochemistry at Trent University.

He said his company might be an appealing option to people looking for a dock because he's local and his company is student-run.

He said his docks are aesthetically pleasing and durable.

Wootton said his docks are also designed so that they don't have to be taken out of the water in the winter – the wood sits higher than the water – though he does recommend taking them out to

"maintain maximum integrity."

The Summer Company program offered Wootton the chance to set up a booth at Staples, where he could meet and greet with prospective clients.

He has received half of the grant funding, which he spent on supplies and inventory.

The other half is awarded at the end of the program.

"It does take a lot of hard work," he said. "It feels like I've worked for it and earned it, but I also feel pretty lucky having got the grant and whatnot."

It's a business that Wootton could continue each summer.

"Especially if I build up a base and a lot of people know about me, then it'll be a lot easier for following summers to get more business," he said. "I think it's a great way to fund my education."

To learn more about The Highlands

Dock Company or contact Wootton, visit highlandsdocks.com, call 705-306-9803, like The Highlands Dock Company on Facebook or follow [highlandsdockco](https://www.instagram.com/highlandsdockco) on Instagram. For more information about the Summer Company, visit peterborough.ca/small-business/summer-company.

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I think it's a great way to fund my education.

— Eric Wootton
on his summer company



Eric Wootton, a recent HHSS grad, received a grant through the Summer Company that has helped him launch his own business, the Highlands Dock Company. Wootton has been busy this summer building custom docks and repairing existing docks. /Submitted

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Organizers to add film night to Haliburton's Take Back the Night effort

JENN WATT

Editor

Organizing has started for this year's Take Back the Night walk, raising awareness about sexual and domestic violence, with changes aimed at increasing visibility and promoting better understanding of the issues.

To start the conversation, the Kawartha Sexual Assault Centre is arranging a screening of the film *A Better Man* on Wednesday, Sept. 19 – the night before the walk.

The film's website says *A Better Man* "offers a fresh and nuanced look at the healing and revelation that can happen for everyone involved when men take responsibility for their abuse."

Lisa Clarke, community engagement manager of the Kawartha Sexual Assault Centre, said plans to screen the film came at the request of Canadian Federation of University Women Haliburton.

"We had initially screened the *Better Man* film in Peterborough as part of conversations around Valentine's Day and domestic violence. They wanted to bring the screening up to Haliburton," Clarke said. "As a group with other organizations in Haliburton we landed on screening the film the night before Take Back the Night as an opportunity to take action immediately on the issue of building a safer and more welcoming community and communities without violence."

Clarke said *A Better Man* is a glimpse into one couple's



Take Back the Night raises awareness about sexual harassment and violence. Organizers are preparing for this year's event, which will take place Thursday, Sept. 20 at Rotary Park in Haliburton. /File photo

story of domestic abuse.

"The story of *A Better Man* is a documentary from a filmmaker from Toronto. She documents 20 years after her relationship with an abusive partner when they come together to discuss the abuse and discuss ways in moving forward and having some closure," she said.

Most years the Take Back the Night walk has started at the high school, but organizers thought it would increase visibility if it started in Haliburton's park and included a candlelight vigil through the streets. Visible Voices Open

Arts Studio and YWCA Haliburton will have a presence at the event. There has been discussion around introducing more interactive parts of the walk, including storytelling and a call out to artists to perform or create visual art.

Take Back the Night Haliburton is planned for Thursday, Sept. 20 at Rotary Park. Sign-making will take place at 5 p.m. The rally and walk starts at 7 p.m. If you'd like to get involved with Take Back the Night, email takebackthenight@kawarthasac.ca.

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Beach ball days

Highlands teen Natalya Gimon rises for the ball during a beach volleyball match on Thursday, Aug. 2 at Rotary Beach Park volleyball court in Haliburton. Gimon was there with her father and her friends from high school, taking advantage of the summer weather.

Right, Dan Gimon serves while playing beach volleyball. Gimon, who is a Red Hawks girls' volleyball coach, was playing volleyball with his daughter and her friends from high school.

/DARREN LUM Staff



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“Rock Our World,” Haliburton Highlands Land Trust Fundraising Dance
When: Friday, Aug. 10
Where: Haliburton Legion, 719 Mountain St, Haliburton
Time: doors open 6:30 to 11:30 p.m.
Admission: early bird \$30 after July 1 \$35
Gather your friends and come out to support the HHLT for this evening of fun and dancing! Jazz cover band and silent auction to start, then live music by Jamie Williams Entertainment until 11:30 p.m. Enjoy appetizers, entertainment, and a live auction! A great time for all! Funds raised will go towards protecting the land you love for future generations. Please check our website for details, or phone our office at 705-457-3700.

Discovering Dragonflies
When: Saturday, Aug. 11
Where: Location to be announced
Have you marveled at the beauty and variety of dragonflies here in Haliburton County? Join our leaders Dennis Barry, and his wife Margaret Carney, as they introduce you to some of the many dragonfly species that make the Highlands their home. Wander through fields, forest and along shoreline as you learn. Some nets and containers will be provided but if you have your own, bring them along. Details will be posted on our website at www.haliburtonlandtrust.ca. Funded in part by TD Friends of the Environment.

Kinmount Family Funfest
When: Sat. Aug. 11, 4 to 9 p.m.
Where: Free Downtown Street Party!
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Haliburton: Sexual Health Clinic
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Back row, left to right, District 11 (Haliburton/Muskoka area) competitors Michael Twitchin, Stuart Buck, Gary Walker, Jere Pike, Susan Buck, Mary Johnson, Sharon Ferris, Frank Ferris and Bev Kerr wore their new shirts, which will be worn at the OSGA 55+ Provincial Summer Games hosted in Mississauga in August. Front row, Richard Wannan BMO manager welcomed the competitors to the Haliburton branch and presented the shirts to the competitors, which also included Neil Darby, Donna Darby, Fern Holmes, Judy Neimann, Georgie Adair, Rolland Fobert, Harold McInerney and John Kerr./DARREN LUM Staff

Area competitors headed to provincials

BEV KERR
Special to the Echo

Thank you to the Haliburton BMO for sponsoring the T-shirts that will be worn by the Haliburton/Muskoka successful winners who are advancing to the OSGA 55+ Provincial Summer Games hosted by Mississauga in August.

The games are modelled after the Olympics. All the participants are given the opportunity for social interaction from the opening ceremonies and parade of the district flags. This event is held biennially in the even numbered years. In 1986 the City of Kitchener hosted the first Ontario Senior Games 55+ called Actifest. These successful games established the framework for the future Ontario Senior Games Association 55+.

Congratulations to the gold place winners who will represent the Haliburton/Muskoka District. In the event the top finishers choose not to compete, the next top finisher interested will compete and represent the district. Haliburton/Muskoka had a record number of participants entering the district summer games this year.

Of the 283 participants, 46 will compete in the provincials.

The competitors representing the Haliburton/Muskoka region in the Ontario Summer Games 55+ at provincials held in Mississauga are: bid euchre competitors Desimir and Ilse Nikolic of Bracebridge and Lorne and Ruth Robertson of Gravenhurst; five-pin bowling men’s singles Michael Twitchin of Kilworthy; the bowling team of Lynne Briden, Al Courtney, Linda Courtney, John Brown and Anne Brown of Gravenhurst; bowling team of Darlene Bush, Dori Rheubottom, Tom Rheubottom, Brett Stewart and Kathy Stewart of Huntsville; contract bridge players Rolland Fobert of Haliburton and Judy Neimann of Minden; cribbage players Fern Holmes and Georgies Adair of Gravenhurst, Neil and Donna Darby of Minden; floor shuffleboard players Robert and Gary Cockburn of Bracebridge; golfers (women 65 plus) Marcia Wagg of Haliburton, (75 plus) Karen Heaslip of Gravenhurst, Suzanne McEwen of Haliburton, (men 55 plus) Robert Pearce of Algonquin Highlands, (65 plus) Gary Walker of Algonquin Highlands, Harold McIner-

ney of Haliburton, (75 plus) Gary Hunt of Haliburton, Jere Pike of Algonquin Highlands; pickleball players (women 55 plus) Nancy McKinnon of Highland Grove, Patricia Harnett of Haliburton, (65 plus) Susan Pyke of Minden, Susan Buck of Haliburton, (men 55 plus) Linden Anderson of Haliburton, Doug McKinnon of Highland Grove, (65 plus) Greg Pyke of Minden, Stuart Buck of Haliburton; walking prediction time women three kilometre (65 plus) Beverly Kerr Haliburton, men 65 plus three kilometre Mike Johnson of Haliburton, (men 75 plus) 1.6 kilometre Frank Ferris of Algonquin Highlands, Nordic women 75 plus 1.6 kilometre Mary Johnson of Haliburton, Nordic women three kilometre (65 plus) Sharon Ferris of Algonquin Highlands, Nordic men 65 plus three kilometre John Kerr of Haliburton.

Good luck to the winners of the Haliburton/Muskoka District.

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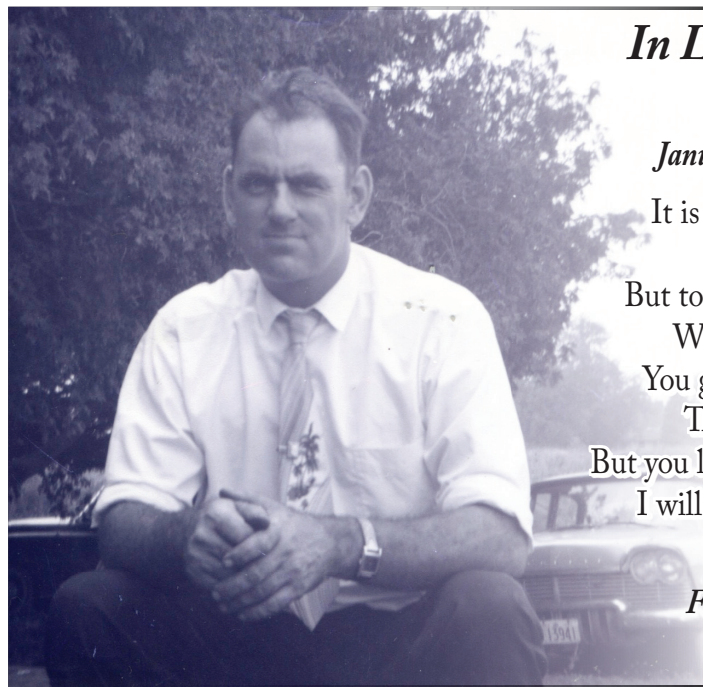
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County may get lawyer for hearing

Haliburton County officials are considering hiring a lawyer or consulting firm to help the county present its case at the hearing into the CN closing of the Haliburton rail line, September 9 in Lindsay.

Malcolm McGillivray, Haliburton County warden, said Monday he thought the county would probably be hiring a lawyer to represent it.

After receiving a suggestion from the Haliburton Economic Development Commission, McGillivray instructed the county clerk, Win Lahay, to telephone the municipal reeves and find out their feelings on the matter.

Although McGillivray had not spoken to Lahay since she completed the survey, he said: "I don't see why they wouldn't support it." He added if Cardiff, his municipality, was in favour of the rail line staying and it was one of the farthest points away from the line, the other municipalities should support the idea.

The question of hiring a solicitor or consulting firm will not be dealt with until the next budget meeting which should be in the near future, McGillivray said.

No cost figures are yet available as the budget committee will have to determine the amount of funds that might be available if a lawyer or consulting firm is hired.

'Vials of Life' now available free to seniors

The Haliburton ambulance service will be providing 'Vials of Life' free to interested senior citizens beginning this week.

Wayne Wood said on Monday the program is designed to help ambulance men and firemen look after unconscious people.

The vial is a small bottle containing a person's complete medical history. When the medical history form is filled in, it is to be rolled up and the vial will be put inside the refrigerator. Then a special decal is to be affixed to the door of the refrigerator to inform the rescuers of the victim's condition in the event of an emergency.

The service is very common.

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The devastation in the foreground is all that remained of a 100 foot wide section of Highway 503 Monday after a beaver dam burst, sending a torrent of water down on

the road. In the background, a worker stands on all that remains of the eastbound lane.

Would be used to defray administration costs

Lutterworth wants \$400 closure fee

Lakefront property owners in Lutterworth Township wishing to purchase the 66-foot marine allowance along the shoreline will be required to pay a deposit of \$400 to the township before an application is considered.

Council decided at its regular meeting last Thursday night that owners will have to put down a deposit to show they have intent to purchase the property.

The deposit should be "large enough to show that he's going to go through with it," councillor Bill Valentine said.

Since the county's policy states that lakeshore allowances can be sold for \$250 up

to 100 feet of lakeshore and \$1 per foot for every foot beyond that point, council felt additional money would be needed to cover the township's costs in the sale of the property.

"We're the vendors. We're going to have to be involved up to a point," Reeve Ron Gambell said.

He added that the \$250 would not cover certain expenses such as advertise-

ments, deeds and the township's legal fees.

If the entire \$400 was not needed to cover costs, councillor Al Stott suggested a rebate could be made to the applicant at the closing of the sale.

Another aspect of the sale of the allowances will be the time consuming on-site inspections which the council intends to carry out.

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Car carried more than 500 feet by flood

Breached beaver dam washes out Hwy. 503

Two people were slightly injured and a provincial highway was extensively damaged early Monday morning when a beaver dam burst, releasing a wall of water which ripped through a heavily wooded area five kilometres east of Gooderham.

The two were riding in a car which plunged off the edge of Highway 503 into a 100-foot wide gap the water had torn through both lanes. A further 1000 feet of highway were undermined and broken by the force of the flood.

Deborah Dahlke, 18, and a passenger were westbound on Highway 503 at approximately 1:30 a.m. when their car went over the edge of the damaged pavement into a torrent of water, the vehicle, with the two still inside, was carried more than 500 feet down the north ditch and deposited in a clump of trees.

Dahlke said in an interview Tuesday that she was driving with her headlights on low beam in heavy rain, and had no warning the road was washed out. She said she felt a "bang" as the car left the pavement and began slamming against uprooted trees and rocks. Water poured in through the doors and windows as the car was swept down the ditch.

"I panicked," she said. "I didn't want to stay in the car, so I stuck my leg out of the window and it hit a tree and smashed the muscle. Finally we stopped, wrapped around a couple of trees."

Dahlke said she and the passenger, her brother, climbed out onto the roof of the car and sat there for "about ten minutes" as the water continued to swirl past the doors.

Another Harecourt resident, Chester Gadoway, who was returning from a trip to Port Perry, was the first person on the scene.

Dahlke and her brother began "whistling and shouting and he stopped." Unable to reach the two, Gadoway called Glamorgan firefighters, who used a ladder to form a bridge above the water. The two were taken to Haliburton hospital by ambulance, where they were treated for minimal injuries and released.

Damage to Dahlke's 1972

car was estimated at \$3000.

"The car is totalled," she said. "The wheels are in shreds and there's sand up to the dashboard."

Police and Ministry of Transportation and Communications personnel sealed

off the highway and remained on the scene throughout the night.

An MTC spokesman at the scene estimated that repairs to the highway, which was recently reconstructed, could cost up to \$20,000. Crews

were dumping sand into the gap in the pavement Monday morning in an effort to have at least one lane open for traffic by late afternoon.

There was no indication of how soon repairs could be completed.

Old documents keep piling up

Lutterworth ponders problem

Lutterworth municipal office staff has a paper problem.

In fact, according to clerk Wayne Hughes, if something isn't done soon the staff will be standing out in the municipal yard and the building will be full of paper.

The clerk told council at its last regular meeting on Thursday night he had been advised by the Ministry of Intergovernmental Affairs that guidelines for retention of municipal papers would

have to be set down before any papers can be destroyed.

At present the township has papers dating back to around the 1870's but some are of little importance and usually duplicated according to Hughes.

He said in an interview on Monday that he has been concerned with the problem for a considerable time and the staff have managed to clean out the vault and file many of the papers in partial order.

To obtain a by-law for destruction of township papers the clerk will have the municipal auditors set retention dates which will allow some documents to be destroyed after a certain period of time.

However, according to Hughes there are many documents that can never be destroyed such as minutes or by-laws.

The clerk told council there is an urgent need to have the

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Artists at Haliburton School of Fine Arts' summer courses had a chance to try their hand at enamelling, last week. Courses included weaving, painting, quilting and screen printing. Courses will be held throughout the summer. For more pictures see page 14.



Alan Revill, Monmouth councillor, was an attraction in the Country Good Times parade. For story and pictures see page 7.

Can blueberries boost the county's economy?

Bill Moore's experiments may provide the answer

by Len Pizze

Bill Moore is a man with a dream. And on his farm north of Kilmount, he has begun to turn that dream into a reality. While municipal politicians talk of convincing small scale, clean industries to locate in Haliburton County, boosting its economy, Moore labours on a project which has the potential to put hundreds of thousands of dollars into the pockets of area farmers.

For the past two and a half years, under the guidance of the province's Ministry of Agriculture and Food, Moore has been conducting experiments in the propagation and cultivation of blueberries. And he is enthusiastic about the results. In fact, Moore's work has convinced him that blueberry farming could become a major local industry.

Agriculture in Haliburton County has always been a marginal proposition at best. The soil is simply too acidic to suit most field crops, and neutralizing the acidity with lime is uneconomic. As Moore puts it, "the land is burned out. It's no good unless you're prepared to put thousands of dollars into it. But why fight the environment? Why put lime onto the soil? It just doesn't make any sense. Why not work with the environment?"

Haliburton County, as anyone who has strayed off the beaten track and into the backwoods will know, has plenty of wild blueberries. The acidic soil, with its thin layer of 'duff', or matted vegetation, is ideally suited to the plant's needs. Studies conducted by the agriculture ministry



Plants grow well in acidic soil

have shown that some 30,000 acres in Ontario have the right conditions to support blueberry production. Of that total, some 700 acres lie in Snowdon Township, while hundreds more acres are scattered throughout the rest of the county. With potential returns as high as 3000 quarts per acre (worth up to \$6000), even limited efforts to bring local land under cultivation could prove highly profitable, Moore believes.

A retired Lever Bros. executive, Moore's involvement in blueberry experimentation began when Haliburton/Victoria agriculture representa-

Returns could be as high as \$6000 an acre

tive Carm Hamilton asked if a member of the then Haliburton County Livestock Producers Association would be interested in testing the viability of the crop. Moore had the land, the time, and as it soon turned out, the consuming interest that was needed to see the project through its initial stages.

Three methods of getting a crop underway were tried simultaneously, with varying success. The easiest, and the most viable on a small scale, is to work with existing blueberry patches. By thinning brush and weeds around the plants and burning off the old stems to give the roots a chance to push out new rhizomes (stem and root systems) old blueberry patches that had ceased to produce berries can be brought under cultivation.

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